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## RECENT BOOKS

Addington, Larry H. *The Patterns of War since the Eighteenth Century*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1985. 318pp. \$29.50 paper \$10.95

Addington's volume is a narrative description of the major European and American wars that have occurred since 1775. The author vividly describes the general aspects of strategy, tactics, and weapons employed. The title misleadingly suggests that this might be a weighty and abstract comparative analysis. It is something quite different; an objective summary of events that makes a very useful introductory textbook for undergraduate students of war history.

Best, Richard A., Jr. *Co-operation with Like-Minded Peoples: British Influences on American Security Policy, 1945-1949*. Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 1986. 226pp. \$32.95

Using both British and American archives, Richard Best offers a new insight into the immediate postwar years by focusing on Anglo-American cooperation rather than the competition between the Soviet Union and the United States. Best demonstrates how Britain took the initiative in persuading the United States to share her concerns about the future of continental Europe. Using established wartime channels of cooperation, British officials played a major role in altering American policy by ensuring the continued presence of U.S. military and naval forces in Europe. Best's work is a stimulating and valuable study of the history of that "special relationship" as well as the history of American defense policy.

Evans, David, ed. and trans. *The Japanese Navy in World War II: In the Words of Former Japanese Naval Officers*. Annapolis, Md.: Naval Institute Press, 1986. 568pp. \$24.95

This collection of essays provides personal perspectives on the war in the Pacific. First published in 1969, the collection contains some of the few available classics relating the Japanese experience in World War II. This second edition (revised) provides five additional articles—three from the U.S. Naval Institute *Proceedings* and two translations prepared especially for this edition by the editor. The new essays discuss operations in the Indian Ocean, the Battle of the Philippine Sea, the protection of merchant shipping, submarine warfare, and Japan's general naval strategy.

Gabriel, Richard A., ed. *Military Psychiatry: A Comparative Perspective*. Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 1986. 214pp. \$32.50

This book starts with the estimate that modern armies are likely to suffer 40 to 50 percent losses of total strength from psychiatric collapse. To deal with the subject, the author steps into the field of comparative military psychiatry as he assembles a cross-cultural analysis of the discipline as practiced by the armies of the United States, Germany, Israel, and the Soviet Union. The collection begins with the human dimension of combat and then proceeds into a detailed examination of the historical development and effectiveness of military psychiatry. Strategies dealing with battle stress are discussed, as are future directions of military psychiatry.

Gordon, John W. *The Other Desert War: British Special Forces in North Africa, 1940-1943*.

Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 1987. 241pp. \$39.95

Written in a setting that reaches back to Lawrence of Arabia in World War I, continuing with interwar experiments with motorized desert travel by both British and Italian Armies, and culminating in the Long Range Desert Groups of the target period, this little book is a nice addition to the literature of the war. It is an interesting story for anyone whose imagination has been captured by the images in popular books and movies, such as *The Desert Rat* and *The Key to Rebecca*, that have their origin in this remarkable theater. *The Other Desert War* is, however, a scholarly history, not an adventure novel, although at times it reads as such.

Higham, Robin D.S. *Diary of a Disaster: British Aid to Greece, 1940-1941*. Lexington: The University Press of Kentucky, 1986. 269pp. \$27

By reconstructing in exquisite detail the disastrous British expedition to Greece on the eve of the German invasion in 1940, Robin Higham has done a valuable service for both military historians and strategists. For the historian, he has pulled together the story of this little known but important part of the early actions of the Second World War. For the strategist, he gently but firmly illustrates that military actions without clear political purpose and commitment often do not work out very well. The book is, literally, a daily diary. The implications are to be drawn by the reader.

Kennedy, Moorhead. *The Ayatollah in the Cathedral: Reflections of a Hostage*. New York: Hill & Wang, 1986. 241pp. \$17.95

A career Foreign Service officer, Moorhead "Mike" Kennedy, while serving in the American Embassy in Iran during the revolution, became one of the hostages held by the Ayatollah's minions for 444 days. After his release, Kennedy retired from the Foreign Service and became chairman of the Cathedral Peace Institute at the New York Episcopal Cathedral. This began as an optimistic endeavor, for Kennedy is a deeply religious man who wanted to put his long experience with the realities of the world to the service of peace. Ultimately this became a very disturbing experience for him as he found that the religious certainty and absolutism that drove the Ayatollah also drove the leadership of much of the American peace movement. While deeply devoted to peace in both the political and religious sense, Kennedy found that there was no place in the movement for a rational, thoughtful man committed to open dialogue. Although Kennedy was forced out of the Cathedral Peace Institute by the dean, in a classic display of earthly power politics, he has continued to write and speak to the thinking audience.

Kinnell, Susan K., ed. *Military History of the United States: An Annotated Bibliography*. Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-Clio, 1986. 333pp. \$85

With approximately 3,300 entries organized into chapters dealing with major periods in American history, this bibliography covers wars on land, at sea, and in the air; great wars, small wars, and skirmishes; incidents and police actions spanning the earliest colonial actions through such events as recently as mid-1985. Providing a ready and quick retrieval of significant scholarship in the field, *Military History of the United States* will be useful to librarians, students, and researchers of U.S. military affairs. (Subject and author index provided.)

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Leach, Douglas Edward. *Now Hear This: The Memoir of a Junior Officer in the Great Pacific War*. Kent, Ohio: Kent State University Press, 1987. 184pp. \$22

Fresh out of Providence and Brown University in 1942, Douglas Leach was one of thousands of young Americans who became "90-day wonders" in the service of the Navy. This memoir of his time in the Pacific as the ASW officer for the U.S.S. *Elden* (DE-264) will be of interest to his many peers who shared the same experiences and found their lives forever changed. His story is historically useful for its descriptions of the early practice of surface ASW. In many respects, Leach's work is a good companion piece to John Monsarrat's recent *Angel on the Yardarm* (1985).

Morgan, William James, ed. *Naval Documents of the American Revolution*; Vol. 9, *American Theatre: June 1, 1777-July 31, 1777; European Theatre: June 1, 1777-September 30, 1777; American Theatre: August 1, 1777-September 30, 1777*. Washington: Naval Historical Center, Department of the Navy, 1986. 1147pp. \$44

This 1147-page volume fully documents the 4 months of naval operations in the summer of 1777, both in American and European waters. Here one can see the British Fleet landing an army at the head of the Chesapeake as part of the operations to capture Philadelphia, as well as the individual actions of the continental frigates *Boston*, *Hancock*, and *Randolph* in the Atlantic. One finds here the sources for examining the famous raids against British merchant shipping made by Captain Lambert Wickes and Gustavus Conyngham in Europe. This volume, like its predecessors, shows the immeasurable value of establishing a record of our country's naval history in a way that is both readily available to all, undeniably accurate, and without bias.

Owen, J.I.H., ed. *Current Military Literature: Comments, Abstracts, Citations of Important Articles from International Strategic and Defense Periodicals*. Oxford, England: Military Press, Ltd., 1985. v. 3, nos. 1-6. \$120

*Current Military Literature* provides subject-classified abstracts and citations of articles from international journals in the areas of ground warfare, strategic studies, and conflict research. Within broad subject areas, each citation is classified into detailed subject groups which limit the amount of time needed to search for items. Citations are cross-referenced into all the alternative subject groups where one might look. Each issue contains author, geographical, and source journal indexes for all citations and provides a full directory of journals scanned, with publishers' addresses. Each citation supplies full bibliographic data to assist users in retrieving original texts through library services or from original publishers. *Current Military Literature* is very useful to libraries, research activities, and professionals dealing with strategic studies and conflict research.

Parton, James. *Air Force Spoken Here: General Ira Eaker and the Command of the Air*. Bethesda, Md.: Adler & Adler, 1986. 557pp. \$24.95

Parton, Eaker's aide during World War II, serves as a primary source in this anecdotal full-length biography. Starting with his formative years as the son of a Texas tenant farmer, the book follows Eaker through his enlistment in 1917, a rich career between the wars, and command of the Eighth U.S. Air Force and the Mediterranean Allied Air Forces during World War II. A literate man whose prose is a pleasure to read, the author has fashioned a carefully researched and balanced biography of a pioneer aviator, Congressional Gold Medal winner, and hero of World War II.

Price, Alfred. *Air Battle Central Europe*. New York: The Free Press, 1986. 192pp. \$17.95  
Drawing on his experience in the RAF and a number of books he has written on air warfare, including the popular *Air War South Atlantic*, Alfred Price gives us a comprehensive look at the aircraft and weapons that NATO has on the front line. He has a chapter on each, including the Tornados, FB-111E/F, EF-111, Wild Weasels, RF-4C, A-10, Harrier, and the tank-swatting helicopter gunships. Each chapter is built around interviews with squadron commanders who offer insights into their probable tactics.

Schaffer, Mark E., ed. *Technology Transfer and East-West Relations*. New York: St. Martin's Press, 1985. 273pp. \$39.95

A comprehensive survey of technology transfer from West to East, this volume cuts across the traditional boundaries of a number of academic disciplines and examines the economic, political, strategic, and legal aspects of the West-East technology transfer. Starting with the nature of innovation in centrally planned economies and the gap in the technological level between East and West, this book examines the major features of innovation under both central planning and market socialism, the role of technology transfer in economic growth, and the relationship between capitalism, socialism, and technological change. Further discussion deals with the economics of technology transfer and the controversial role of Western technology in Soviet military power.

Segal, David R. and Sinaiko, Wallace H., eds. *Life in the Rank and File: Enlisted Men and Women in the Armed Forces of the United States, Australia and Canada, and the United Kingdom*. Washington, D.C.: Pergamon-Brassey's International Defense Publishers, 1986. 283pp. \$24 paper \$14.95

Since 85 percent of the Americans who serve in the military do so in the enlisted ranks, this should be an important book for planners and scholars. While it does touch the current significant issues of retention, the growing role of women, and race relations, it does so through a series of disjointed essays by writers of varying talent. Among the best and most insightful is the essay on the Marines by Michael and Renee Patrow (both lieutenant colonels in the Marine Corps) and the interviews with previous chief master sergeants of the Air Force by Neufeld and Hasdorff. Naval matters are included in Down's history of the changing role of petty officers and in Thomas' essay on the role of women in the Navy. By way of contrast with the American experience, essays are included on the enlisted forces of Australia, Canada, and the United Kingdom. Regrettably, the book is marred by some truly dreadful sociological jargon.

Stubbing, Richard A. and Mendel, Richard A. *The Defense Game: An Insider Explores the Astonishing Realities of America's Defense Establishment*. New York: Harper & Row, 1986. 445pp. \$18.95

This book examines the way that primary defense players—the armed services, industry, Congress, and the Administration—run the Nation's biggest business. Drawing on his experiences dealing with the defense budget from 1962 to 1981, the author looks at the realities of policy-making for the Pentagon by analyzing the decisionmaking process in the complex and secretive world of defense planning and budgeting. In his judgment, the negative trends faced by the U.S. rivalry with the Soviets are not the result of limiting funds but, instead, the problem of efficiently

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transforming dollar resources into military capabilities. The author goes on to examine the roles of five Secretaries of Defense and concludes with the attributes of the next Secretary and how he or she must operate to achieve real change in the Pentagon to make us winners in the defense game.

Tuck, Jay. *High-Tech Espionage: How the KGB Smuggles NATO's Strategic Secrets to Moscow*. New York: St. Martin's Press, 1986. 211pp. \$14.95

The capitalists, said Vladimir Ilyich Lenin, will sell us the rope we need to hang them. While Lenin knew little of computers, lasers, microchips, and other high-tech, his successors do. Jay Tuck paints an alarming and well-documented picture of how the West is selling and loosing this technology to the Soviet Union where it is being used in the weapons pointed back at us. As Soviet technology has continued to lag the West, Soviet espionage has conducted a massive program devoted to the acquisition of both high-tech components and the tools to manufacture them. Through vivid accounts of high-tech espionage, Tuck tells the story of just how successful and devastating this collection has been.

Warren, Mark D. *Lusitania*. New York: Sterling Publishing, 1986. 62pp. \$35

The sinking of the *Lusitania* and the subsequent loss of 1,200 lives in 1915 was a factor that contributed to U.S. entry into World War I. This is a facsimile reprint, including 25 added heretofore unpublished photographs of a limited 1907 edition, only nine copies of which are known to exist. It covers in great detail the construction of the ship, with particular emphasis on passenger accommodations, the propelling machinery, and the cargo and navigation equipment.

Watson, Milton. *Disasters at Sea*. New York: Stripling Publishers, 1987. 192pp. \$24.95

In 1907 the S.S. *Dakota* was wrecked and lost near Yokohama. "The captain spent the rest of his life as a night watchman in a San Francisco shipyard." On that career-enhancing note, Milton Watson begins his chronology of every ocean-going passenger ship catastrophe since 1900. All the big ones are here: the *Titanic*, the *Lusitania*, the *Morro Castle*, the *Andrea Doria*, the *Wahine*, the *Prinsendam*, and the *Lermontov*. Meticulously researched and well-illustrated, Milton's book reminds us that rocks, fire, and poor seamanship still claim ships such as *The Herald of Free Enterprise* in 1987, too late for this book.

Wragg, David. *Airlift: A History of Military Air Transport*. Novato, Calif.: Presido Press, 1986. 159pp. \$25

Major military powers have regarded air transport as an important element in their operations—assault, deployment and redeployment of troops, and critical resupply. *Airlift* traces the history of the development and operations of "military airlines" from the 1920s to the Falklands, including fixed wing aircraft, gliders, and helicopters. International in scope, covering overt and covert military activity, *Airlift* concludes its examination of the subject with some insights into its future.



## AWARD-WINNING ARTICLES CHOSEN FROM THE NAVAL WAR COLLEGE REVIEW

Three prize awards, one for \$500 and two for \$250, honoring authors whose works appeared in the *Review* during 1986, were announced at the College's recent graduation exercises. These awards for exceptional articles, based on content, clarity, and professionalism, are given in memory of the late Captain Hugh G. Nott, U.S. Navy (Ret.) who, over a period of 10 years, made major contributions to the academic and research vitality of the Naval War College.

First prize award, for "Wargaming, an Enforcer of Strategic Realism: 1919-1942," went to Dr. Michael Vlahos of the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.

Second prize awards went to Lieutenant Colonel James P. Terry, U.S. Marine Corps, currently assigned to the Headquarters, Marine Corps, for "An Appraisal of Lawful Military Response to State-Sponsored Terrorism," and to Dr. Mackubin T. Owens who serves as Special Assistant for Defense Programs in the office of the Assistant Secretary of Energy for Congressional Affairs, for "American Strategic Culture and Civil-Military Relations: The Case of JCS Reform."